

SENATE BILL No. 382

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-28-13.

Synopsis: Beginning teacher residency and master's degree. Requires a state educational institution that has a teacher preparation program to establish a beginning teacher residency and master's degree program (program). Provides that a private teacher preparation program may establish a program. Provides that a program must allow the holder of an initial practitioner's license (beginning teacher) to earn a master's degree at the end of the beginning teacher's second year of teaching through a combination of summer, evening, and weekend classes and credit given for teaching under the guidance of a mentor teacher. Provides that a part of the beginning teacher's salary may be assigned to the mentor teacher as a stipend.

Effective: July 1, 2016.

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January 11, 2016, read first time and referred to Committee on Education & Career Development.



Second Regular Session 119th General Assembly (2016)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2015 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-28-13 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2016]:
4 **Chapter 13. Beginning Teacher Residency and Master's Degree**
5 **Program**
6 **Sec. 1.** As used in this chapter, "beginning teacher" refers to an
7 individual who holds an initial practitioner's license.
8 **Sec. 2.** As used in this chapter, "program" refers to a beginning
9 teacher residency and master's degree program established under
10 this chapter.
11 **Sec. 3.** As used in this chapter, "teacher preparation program"
12 has the meaning set forth in IC 20-28-3-1(b).
13 **Sec. 4.** Working in cooperation with school corporations,
14 charter schools, and accredited nonpublic schools:
15 (1) a state educational institution that has a teacher
16 preparation program shall; and
17 (2) a private teacher preparation program may;



1 establish a beginning teacher residency and master's degree
2 program under this chapter.

3 **Sec. 5. (a) A program established under this chapter must allow**
4 **a beginning teacher the opportunity to earn a master's degree by**
5 **the end of the beginning teacher's second year of teaching through**
6 **a combination of summer, evening, and weekend classes, as well as**
7 **credits granted for teaching under the guidance of a mentor**
8 **teacher.**

9 **(b) Whenever a beginning teacher enrolls in a program, the**
10 **teacher preparation program shall arrange with the beginning**
11 **teacher's employer to have a mentor teacher who meets**
12 **qualifications established under the program assigned to the**
13 **beginning teacher. A portion of the beginning teacher's salary may**
14 **be assigned to the mentor teacher as a stipend. The mentor teacher**
15 **has the duties assigned by the program and the employer.**

16 **Sec. 6. A teacher preparation program shall consult with the**
17 **commission for higher education and the department in developing**
18 **a program under this chapter.**

